

A Report on the Health of South Carolina's People and Environment

The title of this book reflects the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control's longterm vision for the future of South Carolina, healthy people living in healthy communities. Each chapter addresses a long-term goal from the agency's Strategic Plan. The goals reflect our role as the state's public health and environmental agency in carrying out the three core functions of public health: assessment, policy development and assurance. The goals also build on national efforts in public health such as Healthy People 2010. These goals are statements of long-term changes that will move us toward our vision. For more information on Healthy People 2010, see page 57. A general appendix with more detailed data begins on page 50.

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Shrimp, crab, oysters, fish—
the South Carolina coast
along the Atlantic offers a
bounty of culinary delights.
You can gather your own or
watch your dinner arrive at
weathered docks in bucolic
fishing villages. Then you
walk it off in historic cities
and towns or along the
187 miles of coast.
Wish you were here!



To our family and friends in other states There are fresh peaches in the foothills and apple orchards galore. When you see the majestic South Carolina mountains, you can't help but want to walk the trails where American Indians once roamed. We took in some fly-fishing and stood awestruck at many of the waterfalls that grace the Upstate region in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Wish you were here!



To our family and friends in other states

The South Carolina "Midlands" beautifully restored 19th century homes, and lovely gardens filled azaleas and camellias. You don't to explore pine woodlands and their natural habitat. We're on a river.

Wish you were here!



To our family and friends in other states



Promoting and protecting the health of the public and the environment.

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